Deaf Culture Question of the Week – October 24 - 28, 2011 Bill Newell, Principal Washington School for the Deaf

This week WSD celebrates spirit week and homecoming. The week is filled with many fun events and pep rallies. A prominent figure at these spirit and sporting events is our Terrier mascot. But the Terrier has not always been the school's mascot. What was the original WSD mascot?

- a. The Bears
- b. The Cowlitz
- c. The Wildcats
- d. The Bulldogs

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Answer: "c" – The Wildcats – The WSD mascot was named in 1910 as the Wildcats. But in 1936 La Center High School adopted Wildcats as their mascot. For 11 years WSD and La Center HS were both known as the Wildcats. In 1945 WSD changed its mascot to the Terriers ending the confusion. (From Washington School for the Deaf 125th Celebration 1886 – 2011 Trivia Edition, Editor, Curtis Peart, Class of 1977).

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